



**To:** Zero Waste Advisory Commission  
**From:** Bob Gedert, Department Director, Austin Resource Recovery  
**Date:** July 9, 2014  
**Subject:** **Heavy/Light-Duty Vehicle and Equipment Purchase**

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The purpose of this item is to obtain a favorable ZWAC recommendation for the City Council to authorize award and execution of a total of eight (8) contracts through the **Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (Buy Board)** and the **Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC)** in a total not-to-exceed amount of **\$8,686,545**.

***Purpose***

There are six (6) contracts recommended for award through the **BuyBoard** totaling \$5,839,110. The contract with **LONGHORN INTERNATIONAL TRUCKS, LTD** is for the purchase of three (3) heavy-duty truck chassis in an amount not to exceed **\$505,041**. The contract with **TEXAN WASTE EQUIPMENT (DBA HEIL OF TEXAS)** is for the purchase of 24 refuse collection bodies in an amount not to exceed **\$4,621,246**. The contract with **CHASTANG ENTERPRISES, INC. (DBA CHASTANG FORD)** is for the purchase of three (3) heavy-duty truck chassis in an amount not to exceed **\$329,254**. The contract with **COOPER EQUIPMENT COMPANY, INC.** is for the purchase of one (1) replacement street sweeper in an amount not to exceed **\$280,224**. The contract with **WAUKESHA-PEARCE INDUSTRIES, INC.** is for the purchase of one (1) mulching attachment in an amount not to exceed **\$35,210**. The contract with **SILSBEE FORD, INC.** is for the purchase of three (3) pickup trucks in an amount not to exceed **\$68,135**.

There are two (2) contracts recommended for award through **H-GAC** totaling **\$2,847,435**. The contract with **CHASTANG ENTERPRISES, INC. (DBA CHASTANG FORD)** is for the purchase of 18 heavy-duty truck chassis in an amount not to exceed **\$2,834,790**. The contract with **MAGNUM CUSTOM TRAILER MFG. CO., INC. (DBA MAGNUM TRAILERS)** includes the purchase of one (1) new gooseneck trailer in an amount not to exceed **\$12,645**.

Attached is an itemized breakdown of the above contracts.

***Contract Timeline***

July 9<sup>th</sup> – ZWAC Meeting  
August 7<sup>th</sup> – City Council Consideration/Action

Fleet Services and the Office of Sustainability have worked together to develop a vehicle/equipment purchasing process to progress towards our City-wide objective of obtaining carbon neutrality by 2020. The purchasing criteria incorporate criteria pollutant and greenhouse gas emissions impact, available technologies on the market, physical demands on the vehicle/equipment, service application, and life-cycle cost. These criteria are applied to all vehicle/equipment purchase requests submitted to Fleet Services and the vehicles to be purchased in this request use alternative fuels.

The vehicle and equipment vendors are contracted through the Buy Board and H-GAC to supply these types of vehicles and equipment to public entities statewide as a result of a competitive bidding process. Utilizing these cooperative contracts provides for volume discount pricing as well as the earliest opportunity to place the City's vehicle/equipment orders. Assistant City Manager approval is required for all new additions to the City's fleet prior to any requests being made to the Purchasing Office.

***Staff Recommendation***

Staff recommends City Council authorization for the award and execution of a total of eight (8) contracts as listed above through the **Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (Buy Board)** and the **Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC)** in a total not-to-exceed amount of **\$8,686,545**.

Attachment: 2014 ARR Vehicle & Equipment Purchases